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In re application of: D. R. Jenkins

Application No.: 0 9 679,698

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**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

#### STATUS

- 2. Applicant is
  - a small entity. A statement:
    - is attached.
    - was already filed.
  - other than a small entity.

#### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/TRANSMISSION (37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a))

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#### **EXTENSION OF TERM**

NOTE: "Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) — If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.

If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).

- NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. § 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings, and 37 C.F.R. § 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.
- NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b) ". . . an applicant shall be deemed to have failed to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of an application for the cumulative total of any periods of time in excess of three months that are taken to reply to any notice or action by the Office making any rejection. objection, argument, or other request, measuring such three-month period from the date the notice or action was mailed or given to the applicant, in which case the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.703 shall be reduced by the number of days, if any, beginning on the day after the date that is three months after the date of mailing or transmission of the Office communication notifying the applicant of the rejection, objection, argument, or other request and ending on the date the reply was filed. The period, or shortened statutory period, for reply that is set in the Office action or notice has no effect on the three-month period set forth in this paragraph."
- 3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) for the total number of months checked below:

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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OR

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this is a conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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## FEE FOR CLAIMS

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#### **AMENDMENT**

The Honorable Commissioner for Patents Box Amendment Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

The following is in response to the Office communication mailed 06/04/2002.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for his careful review of the Amendment filed on 03/06/2002, and hereby elects for further examination the species construed by the Examiner as being represented by Figs. 1 and 2 (Group A), and the subspecies construed as being represented by Fig. 7 (Group ii). Claims 1, 4, 6, 8–10 and 12–20 are believed to read on the elected species. Applicant respectfully requests that the election of species be entered, and that his application be examined on the merits. Applicant's Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) was filed on 03/28/2001.

In view of the foregoing remarks, applicant believes the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully requests reconsideration and passage to

allowance. If Examiner disagrees, he is requested to call applicant's attorney at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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